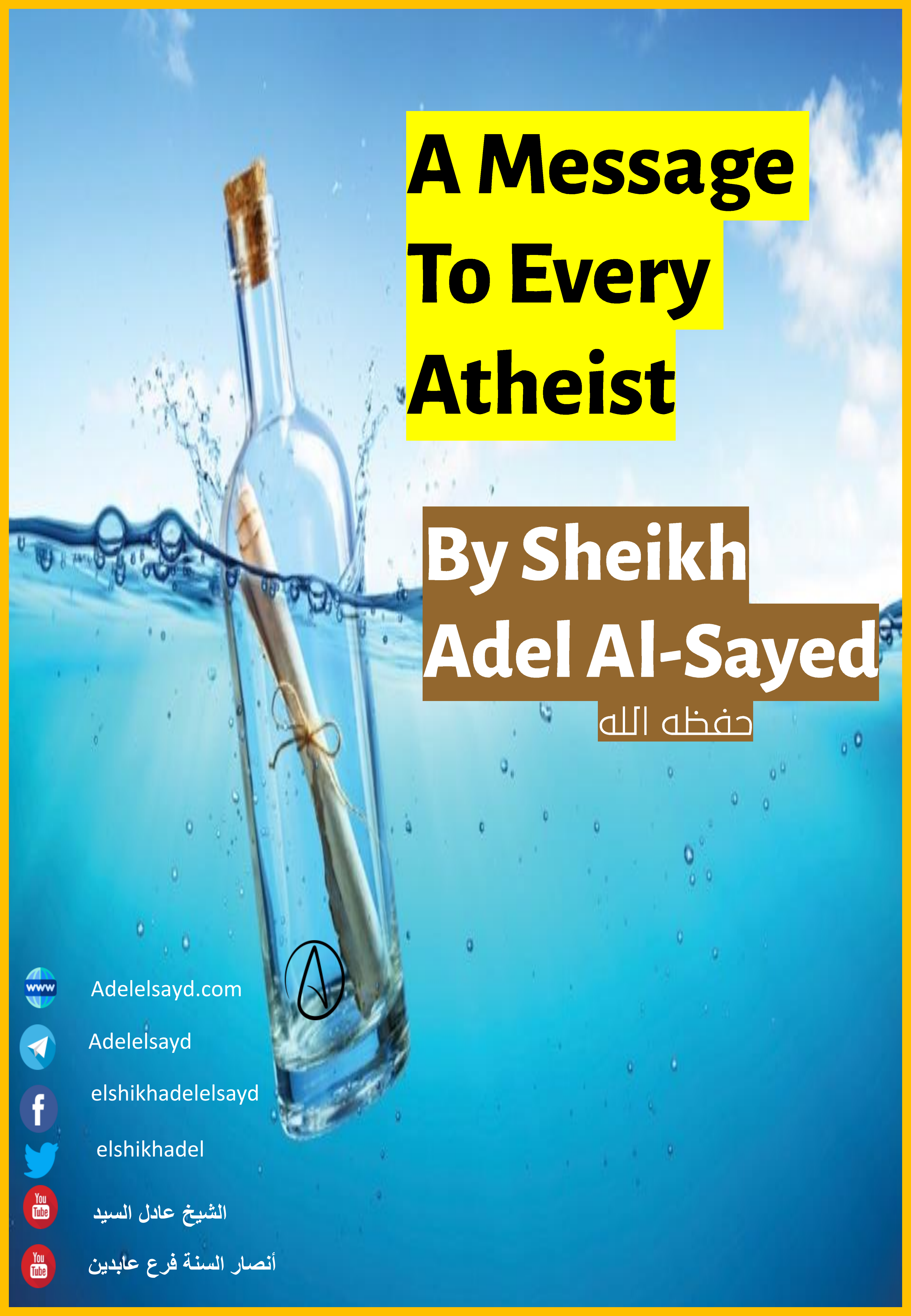

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I bear witness that there is no deity 1worthy of worship except Allah

Truly, belief in Allah, the most glorified, the most high, is a truth based on knowledge and it is the greatest testimony a servant could attest to, and it must be preceded by knowledge. Allah says: “unlike those who bore witness to the truth and recognized it”.

This knowledge might be instinctive (the natural disposition) or it may be acquired. Knowing the existence of Allah and His divinity is a natural disposition with those who have a pure nature and sound mind. The messenger of Allah said: “every child is born on the *fitra* (a natural disposition)”. This knowledge may also be acquired through contemplation and reflection on the signs of Allah.

A human being, through his natural disposition might believe in the Oneness of Allah and may not need any evidence for this. I believe in the existence of Allah, I believe that Allah created the heavens and the earth, and I believe that the one who created the heavens and the earth, organized the matters of the heavens and the earth, created me, and supported me with provisions is the one who deserves to be worshipped.

As the old woman who when Al-Fakhr Ar-Razi passed by her walking like a Peacock while people were surrounding him, was surprised and asked: “who is this?”. They replied: “this is Abu Abdullah Fakhruddin Ar-Razi; he has memorized one thousand evidences for the existence of Allah. The old woman said: “is there any doubt in the existence of Allah?!” She continued: “when has Allah been absent so that such an unwise person comes to establish an evidence for His existence?!” He looked at her and said: “O Allah! Grant me faith like the faith of this woman”.

A bedouin was asked: “what is the evidence for the existence of Allah?” He replied: “a camel's dung is evidence for the existence of camels and the footprint is an evidence of feet; a sky with great stars, and an earth with spacious paths, are these not evidences for the existence of the All Subtle and the All Aware?!” These are merely matters of a natural disposition.

Allah said: “can there be doubt about Allah, Creator of the heavens and the earth? He invites you that He may forgive you of your sins, and He delays you (i.e., your death) for a specified term." They said: "you are but men like us who wish to avert us from what our fathers were worshipping. So bring us a clear authority (i.e., evidence). [Ibrahim: 10]. Allah’s saying:

“can there be doubt about Allah, Creator of the heavens and the earth” means: is there a doubt about the existence of Allah such that we seek evidence to prove His existence?

which evidence is clearer than this significance? How is the clear sought for by the hidden?! Then Allah called their attention on the evidence by saying: “Creator of the heavens and earth” So, who created the heavens and earth if not Allah the Lord of the worlds?!

If the sane person contemplates, he would wonder: you seek an evidence for what? For the existence of Allah?! Praised be He! So who created you O arrogant human? O you who speak and debate about the existence of Allah, Who gave you the ability to speak and debate? If Allah willed, he would deprive you of the blessing of speaking and expression and you would not be able to regain it? Who created you? Who supports you with provisions and sustains you, and you do not know anything about your soul that is between your ribs, nor yourself or your body organs and how they work?

The evidence for the existence of Allah and His divinity, and the inability of the human being and his insignificance is clear for every insightful person. It is not hidden from an illiterate or an ignorant person, nor can a scholar ever deny it. The one who denies this, does it only by his tongue without any rational conviction while his soul is being cut from inside and it does not follow him but he does not listen nor care for its call.

And if you ask him: do you exist? He will answer: yes, I exist. Are you sure of this? He will say: yes, I am sure. Then, what is the evidence for your existence? He will say: I am in front of you and I do not need any evidence to prove this.

Glorified be Allah! You, as a created being, do not need evidence to prove your existence and yet the creator needs evidence to prove His existence?! What amazing human audacity and arrogance this is!

Although the clarity of this issue, the Glorious Qur'an mentioned numerous reasonable evidences for Allah's existence, divinity and the perfection of His names and attributes.

In Surat Al-Ṭūr, Allah discussed this issue in an extraordinary way. He said: "Were they created without any agent? Were they the creators?". Qur'an did not give the answer. Instead, the answer is left to the natural disposition and reason to admit the truth. It is as if it was said: "O Intellect, contemplate". The different possibilities were mentioned while

the answer was left to the natural disposition and intellect. There are only three possibilities:

1. (Were they created without any agent?) means: they were created with no creator, for example, by chance. This is impossible and irrational, as non-existence does not create anything. This is self-evidently true.
2. (Were they the creators?) means: maybe they created themselves. This is also impossible, as a created being cannot create himself.
3. Maybe that the Creator, Glory be to Him, has created them.

The third possibility was not mentioned. By mentioning only the first two possibilities, the Qur'an left the third possibility to the natural disposition and mind to conclude. It is irrational to give any other answer.

It is as if Allah is saying: "you will surely give this answer although it is not mentioned".

Then, Allah further refuted their claim by asking about something clearly outside their ability and that which no one can claim. He said: "did they create the heavens and the earth? No! They do not have faith".
We may find an arrogant and ungrateful person saying: "I have created myself", likewise what happened to a person who claimed that he gives life and death.
Allah said: "have you not thought about the man who disputed with Abraham about his Lord, because God had given him power to rule? When Abraham said: “It is my Lord who gives life and death,’ he said, ‘I too give life and death".

So, what was the answer? This was followed by another question which demonstrated his inability and falsehood in his first claim. Ibrahim said: "verily Allah brings the sun out from the east; then you bring it out from the west. So the disbeliever was utterly defeated. And Allah guides not the people who are Zalimun” (wrong-doers). [Al-Baqarah 258].

Here, assume that a person said "I created myself". Is he able to claim that he created the heavens and the earth? If non-existence cannot create the heavens nor the earth, and the heavens and the earth have not been created by themselves, and if those (persons) cannot claim that they brought to existence all these creatures (in the universe), then, there must be a creator of all that, and this creator is Allah, glory be to Him.

When Moses (peace be upon him) called Pharos to belief, he said " I am a messenger of the Lord of the universe". Pharos replied "who is the Lord of the Universe?". So he denied the existence of the Lord of the Universe, as Pharos was a denier, nay, but he is the chef of the deniers. Moses said "the Lord of the heavens and the earth and all that is between them, if you seek to be convinced with certainty." The phrase (if you seek to be convinced with certainty) means: if you have a sound mind without false argumentation, and it is possible that you can make sure of anything in the Universe, then, the first thing you must certainly make sure of is the existence of Allah, the creator of the heavens and the earth "if you seek to be convinced with certainty."

This is a strong rational inference (proof), because if there is no creator and if this issue is not one of certainty, then the mind cannot be convinced of any issue at all, and everything would be doubtful and confusing, and we would indulge in endless false argumentation and Philosophy.

One of the axioms is that the newly existing thing after being non-existent must have a creator (inventor), and this issue is known by necessity, realized through the natural disposition, even for children. If someone hits a child while he is unmindful and cannot see the person, he will say "who hit me?" If the reply was that no one hit you, the child’s mind will not accept this as he knows that every action must have a doer. If it is said to the child this person hit you, he will ask: "why did you hit me? If it is said to the child: without any reason, he will cry until he hits this person back; so, in his natural disposition there is an acknowledgement of the doer (creator), and of the legislation which is built upon justice.

Therefore, Allah says: " Their messengers answered, can there be any doubt about Allah, the Creator of the heavens and the earth? The word “creator”, is the evidence which refutes their doubts.

Here are some rational evidences of Allah's existence and divinity, necessitating belief in His divinity, His Names and Attributes.

Allah, glory be to Him said in Surat Al-Waqi'ah: " It was We who created you: will you not believe? Consider [the semen] you eject, do you create it yourselves or are We the Creator? We ordained death to be among you. Nothing could stop us if We intended to change you and recreate you in a way unknown to you. You have learned how you were first created: will you not reflect?

Consider the seeds you sow in the ground. Is it you who makes them grow or We? If We wished, We could turn your harvest into chaff and leave you to wail. Consider the water you drink. Was it you who brought it down from the rain-cloud or We? If We wanted, We could make it bitter: will you not be thankful? Consider the fire you kindle. Is it you who makes the wood for it grow or We? We made it a reminder, and useful to those who kindle it. So [Prophet] glorify the name of your Lord, the Supreme. I swear by the positions of the stars, a mighty oath, if you only knew (that this is truly a noble Qur’an), in a protected record that only the purified can touch, sent down from the Lord of all beings. How can you scorn this statement? And how, in return for the livelihood you are given, can you deny it? When the soul of a dying man comes up to his throat while you gaze on. We are nearer to him than you, though you do not see Us. Why, if you are not to be judged, do you not restore his soul to him, if what you say is true? If that dying person is one of those who will be brought near to God, he will have rest, ease, and a Garden of Bliss; if he is one of those on the Right, [he will hear], ‘Peace be on you,’ from his companions on the Right; but if he is one of those who denied the truth and went astray, he will be welcomed with scalding water. He will burn in Hell. This is the certain truth: [O Prophet], glorify the name of your Lord the Supreme". [Surat Al-Qari'ah, 57-74].

And He said in Surat Al-Naml: "Say [O Prophet], ‘praise be to God and peace be upon the servants He has chosen. Who is better: God, or those they set up as partners with Him? Who created the heavens and earth? Who sends down water from the sky for you with which We cause gardens of delight to grow: you have no power to make the trees grow in them. Is it another god beside God? No! But they are people who take others to be equal with God. Who is it that made the earth a stable place to live? Who made rivers flow through it? Who set immovable mountains on it and created a barrier between the fresh and salt water? Is it another god beside God? No! But most of them do not know. Who is it that answers the distressed when they call upon Him? Who removes their suffering? Who makes you successors in the earth? Is it another god beside God? Little notice you take! Who is it that guides you through the darkness on land and sea? Who sends the winds as heralds of good news before His mercy? Is it another god beside God? God is far above the partners they make beside him! Who is it that creates life and reproduces it? Who is it that gives you provision from the heavens and earth? Is it another god beside God?’ Say,

‘show me your evidence then, if what you say is true. [Surat Al-Naml, 59-64].

They are great verses that shake the soul and call on the human instinct and intellect to testify that there is no deity worthy of worship except Allah.

Allah said in Surat Al-Dhariyat: " On earth there are signs for those with sure faith—and in yourselves too, do you not see? [Surat Al-Dhariyat, 20 - 21].

Therefore, if a sane person reflected on his creation, surely, he will realize that every part, even every cell, of his body has been created for a purpose: the eye was created for a purpose, the ear too, and the hand, fingers, tongue etc. Consequently, it is irrational to say that a man came to this life with no creator, or was created with no purpose.

As belief in Allah is closely associated with belief in the day of resurrection, to the extent that whoever neglects the existence of Allah and his lordship he consequently will neglect the hereafter and resurrection and vice versa. So, we notice that the Glorious Qur'an usually combines between these two issues and proves their authenticity through the highest intellectual proofs, not to leave any room for doubt or negligence. There are numerous verses proving that, but we mention only one text from the Qur'an of Surat Yasin, which discusses these two issues and proves its authenticity in the best way by addressing the intellect. I leave you with these great verses to contemplate over. "We shall certainly bring the dead back to life, and We record what they send ahead of them as well as what they leave behind. We keep an account of everything in a clear Record." [Surat Yasin]. Then He said: " do they not see how many generations We have destroyed before them, none of whom will ever come back to them? [Yet] all of them will be brought before Us. There is a sign for them in the lifeless earth. We give it life and We produce grain from it for them to eat; We have put gardens of date palms and grapes in the earth, and We have made springs of water gush out of it so that they could eat its fruit. It was not their own hands that made all this. How can they not give thanks? Glory be to Him who created all the pairs of things that the earth produces, as well as themselves and other things they do not know about. The night is also a sign for them; We strip the daylight from it, and lo and behold! They are in darkness. The sun, too, runs its determined course laid down for it by the Almighty, the All Knowing. We have determined phases for the

moon until finally it becomes like an old date stalk. The sun cannot overtake the moon, nor can the night outrun the day, each floats in (its own) orbit. Another sign for them is that We carried their seed in the laden Ark, and We have made similar things for them to ride in. If We wished, We could drown them, and there would be no one to help them; they could not be saved. Only by Our mercy could they be reprieved to enjoy life for a while. And His saying: "can they not see how, among the things made by Our hands, We have created livestock they control, and made them obedient, so that some can be used for riding, some for food, some for other benefits, and some for drink? Will they not give thanks? Yet they have taken other gods besides God to help them, though these could not do so even if they called a whole army of them together! So [O Prophet] do not be distressed at what they say; We know what they conceal and what they reveal.

Following this interesting round of proofs and universal signs indicating the sovereignty of Allah, and His creation in the best ever way, Allah finished Surat Yasin discussing those who deny these truths even though its apparent for every person of sound mind. In an amazing answer, causing the intellect and the heart to be humbled, Allah said: "can man not see that We created him from a drop of fluid? Yet lo and behold! he disputes openly, producing arguments against Us, forgetting his own creation. He says, “Who can give life back to bones after they have decayed?” Say “He who created them in the first place will give them life again; He has full knowledge of every act of creation. It is He who produces fire for you out of the green tree– lo and behold!– and from this you kindle fire. Is He who created the heavens and earth not able to create the likes of these people? Of course He is! He is the All Knowing Creator, when He wills something to be, His way is to say, “Be”– and it is! So glory be to Him in whose Hand lies control over all things. It is to Him that you will all be brought back."

Ubai bin Khalaf, may Allah curse him, came to the prophet with rotten bones in his hands and while breaking them up he says: "O Muhammad, you claim that Allah resurrects this bone after it has rotten?!" the Prophet replied: "Yes, Allah will cause you to die, then He will resurrect you and enter you into the Fire." The last portion of Surat Yasin starting from "can man not see that We created him from a drop of fluid?" till the end, was revealed regarding this dialogue.

The meaning of verses is: after all these obvious clear-cut evidences, the ignorance of this adversary and his denial of resurrection is astounding. Does he not know that he was also created (from nothing), so if he remembers that, he will abandon this futile argument.

The words: "and he forgot his creation" includes the answer (to his question about resurrection), as if to say that if this person remembered that he was created, he would not have asked this question. That is why Allah reminded him about his creation by His saying: "can man not see that We created him from a drop of fluid?"

O you who claim the impossibility of resurrection of these rotten bones, and giving life back to the dead, have you forgotten the origin of your creation?! You have been created from a sperm containing no flesh or bones. However, Allah has created you as an alive person. After realizing that, will it be difficult for Allah to give life back to these bones (after creating them from nothing)?!

The word: *fa Idha* "only then" is called Alfuja'iyah i.e. happening suddenly. The sperm soon became a complete alive man, arguing about Allah's ability. Allah gave him ability to talk and express unlike other creatures as Allah Almighty said: " It is the Lord of Mercy who taught the Quran[1] He created man and taught him Al-Bayan[2] "to communicate".
He expresses his soul, feelings, what he loves and hates. He can say poetry and prose, praises and teases. He can express what is inside his soul unlike other creatures on earth. Unfortunately, the first adversary of this sperm (Which will be a human being), when able to talk is arguing about Allah's power. These verses here are talking about a person who denies resurrection and reckoning.

He said: "producing arguments against Us!" The sperm?! Yes, it was a sperm and then became an open adversary.

“Producing arguments against Us!” for whom? For the creator who created him from a sperm?! What an ungrateful creature?!

He said: "forgetting his own creation", if he remembered his creation, he would not have asked this question.

The man said: "Who can give life back to bones?”. Which bones O man? Your beginning was a sperm. Did this sperm contain bones? The sperm of

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[1]One interpretation is that *Qur'an* here means “to read”.

[2] *Bayan* (communication) involves both expressing oneself and understanding what has been expressed by others, including the Qur'an, which is called *bayan* and *mubin*.

man, which settles down in the woman's womb containing no flesh or bones as Allah stated in Surat Al-Mu’minun: "We created man from an essence of clay, then We placed him as a drop of fluid in a safe place, then We made that drop into a clinging form, and We made that form into a lump of flesh, and We made that lump into bones, and We clothed those bones with flesh, and later We made him into other forms, glory be to God, the best of creators!" [Surat Al-Mu'minun 12:14].

After these stages of creation, a man is asking: "Who can give life back to bones after they have decayed?" The simple answer is: "Say, He who created them in the first place will give them life again; He has full knowledge of every act of his creation".

The creator who created you the first time is able to resurrect you again as Allah said in another verse: “He is the One who originates creation and will do it again; this is even easier for Him. He is above all comparison in the heavens and earth; He is the Almighty, the All Wise”. [Surat Ar-Rum 27].

Allah's knowledge includes all creatures during all their stages, as He knows what the earth diminishes or saves of the dead bodies; nothing is hidden from Him.

His saying: "It is He who produces fire for you out of the green tree - lo and behold! - and from this you kindle fire." [Surat Yasin 80]
The green trees, as Allah began their creation from water till they become a green plants with ripe fruits. Then these trees turned to dry wood, flaming a fire. He does what He wills, nothing can stop Him. As Allah produced a fire from trees, He is able to resurrect a man again.

So, from which this fire is produced? It is produced from water! Glory be to Allah.

It is a leafy tree which produces delicious fruits while its origin is carbon based. When you put it into the fire it becomes coal. It is a great miracle; plants absorb carbon, keeping it inside to purify the air, while producing oxygen for you to breathe in.

While trees are green, they contain what contradicts that. Is that not so? Moreover, water itself is carrying within itself (components of) fire while you do not notice. Chemists state that water consists of Oxygen and Hydrogen, one of them is used to start a fire, whilst the other one is ignitable.

Allah, glory be to Him, creates things and their opposites. This is one of the greatest miracles of Allah's creation.

Then Allah said, referring to His great power: "Is He who created the heavens and the earth not able to create the likes (of these people)?"

Creation of heavens and the earth is greater than the creation of man. This is another evidence of resurrection. As all creatures, small or big, are a trace of Allah's creation and power, and he is able to create anything easily, so resurrecting dead is a part of His creation. Allah said: "when He wills something to be, His way is to say, “Be”– and it is!" There is no difficulty for Allah to create all these creatures and to resurrect them.

Then Allah finished Surat Yasin with His saying: "So glory be to Him in whose Hand lies control over all things. It is to Him that you will all be brought back".

After knowing all these evidences, is it rational for a sane person to deny, argue or doubt about Allah's existence and His Lordship?

"Mankind, what has lured you away from God, your generous Lord, who created you, shaped you, proportioned you, in whatever form He chose? Yet you still take the Judgement to be a lie! Over you stand watchers, noble recorders who know what you do: the good will live in bliss and the wicked will burn in the Fire. They will enter it on the Day of Judgement, and they will find no escape. What will explain to you what the Day of Judgement is? Yes! What will explain to you what the Day of Judgement is? The Day when no soul will be able to do anything for another; on that Day, the command will belong to God".